California Community Colleges Baccalaureate Degree



Pilot Program

Request for Proposals DRAFT 10-28-2014

<u>Background:</u> On September 28, 2014, California Governor Jerry Brown signed SB 850 (Block) authorizing each of fifteen of California's community colleges to offer a single Bachelor's degree. Language in the bill charged the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges (BOG) to develop a process for selection of those pilot programs. The Chancellor will recommend to the Board of Governors at their November meeting, a process for identification and selection of the pilot programs that will include a timeline and a Request for Proposals (RFP) communicated to all California community colleges.

The RFP to be recommended to the BOG will include at least the following:

- 1. Name of College/District. (Only one proposal may be submitted per district.)
- 2. Institutional demographics including size and enrollment characteristics of the college and existing instructional program where applicable.
- 3. Current accreditation status of the proposing college.
- 4. Name and description of proposed Bachelor's degree.
- 5. Name and description including student outcomes of existing Associate degree program where applicable.
- 6. Evidence of regional and or state workforce demand for the proposed program.
- 7. Evidence of regional interest, community support, and employer demand for the proposed program.
- 8. Eight-year enrollment projections for the proposed program.
- 9. Evidence of lack of program duplication with the University of California or the California State University.
- 10.a. Rationale for this degree and an example of the upper division discipline course work that may be required.
- 10.b. Example of the upper division general education course work that may be appropriate for this degree.

- 11. Evidence of funding sources allocated to provide program development and operational costs.
- 12. Evidence of adequate facilities and instructional equipment for the program and/or plans for securing those facilities and equipment.
- 13. Timeline for program planning, program/institutional accreditation, course offerings and expected date of first degree to be granted.
- 14. Evidence of institutional support demonstrated by signoff of the college president/ superintendent, district chancellor, District Board of Trustees, and Chair of the College Faculty Senate.

